

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A method for translating system events for system management, the method comprising:

receiving at a gateway in a network data processing system an event in a native event management form;

translating the event into a new format; and

correlating the event in the new format to determine whether a system management action should be performed;

wherein the event is translated by the gateway into a plurality of different event management system formats and the plurality of translated events are correlated at remote system management data processing systems to determine whether system management events should be performed.

2. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the new format is a neutral event format.

3. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, ~~wherein the new format is a specific event management format~~ 2, wherein the event that is translated by the gateway into the plurality of different event management system formats is in the neutral event format.

4. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the event is translated to ~~[[a]] the plurality of event management system formats~~ using a configuration file located at the gateway, wherein the gateway services a plurality of event-generating endpoints, and wherein the gateway comprises a plurality of plug-in modules that each provide a particular type of event format translation and the translated events are correlated at remote system management data processing systems to determine whether system management events should be performed.

5. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein the event is received from an endpoint.

6. (Currently Amended) The method of claim ~~[[1]]~~ 5, wherein the endpoint is at least one of a server data processing system, a router, a printer, switch, or a gateway.

7. (Currently Amended) ~~The method of claim 1~~ A method for translating system events for system management, the method comprising:

receiving at a gateway in a network data processing system an event in a native event management form;

translating the event into a new format; and

correlating the event in the new format to determine whether a system management action should be performed, wherein the event is to be sent to a remote event management system and wherein the translating step comprises:

translating the event from the native event management form to a vendor neutral form;

translating the event into a ~~format~~ vendor specific form, which is different from the vendor neutral form, for use by the remote event management system; and

forwarding the vendor specific form of the event to the remote event management system.

8. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the ~~correlating step uses a state table~~ the event that is translated into a vendor specific form is in the vendor neutral form prior to such vendor specific form translation.

9. (Currently Amended) A data processing system for translating system events for system management, the data processing system comprising:

a bus system;

a communications unit connected to the bus system;

a memory connected to the bus system, in which the memory includes a set of instructions; and

a processing unit connected to the bus system, in which the processing unit executes the set of instructions to receive at a gateway in a network data processing system an event in a native event management form, translate the event into a new format, and correlate the event in the new format to determine whether a system management action should be performed;

wherein the event is translated by the gateway into a plurality of different event management system formats and the plurality of translated events are correlated at remote system management data processing systems to determine whether system management events should be performed.

10. (Currently Amended) A data processing system for translating system events for system management, the data processing system comprising:

receiving means for receiving at a gateway in a network data processing system an event in a native event management form;

translating means for translating the event into a new format; and

correlating means for correlating the event in the new format to determine whether a system management action should be performed;

wherein the event is translated by the gateway into a plurality of different event management system formats and the plurality of translated events are correlated at remote system management data processing systems to determine whether system management events should be performed.

11. (Original) The data processing system of claim 10, wherein the new format is a neutral event format.

12. (Currently Amended) The data processing system of claim ~~10, wherein the new format is a specific event management format~~ 11, wherein the event that is translated by the gateway into the plurality of different event management system formats is in the neutral event format.

13. (Currently Amended) The data processing system of claim 10, wherein the event is translated to ~~[[a]] the plurality of event management system formats using a configuration file located at the gateway, wherein the gateway services a plurality of event-generating endpoints, and wherein the gateway comprises a plurality of plug-in modules that each provide a particular type of event format translation and the translated events are correlated at remote system management data processing systems to determine whether system management events should be performed.~~

14. (Original) The data processing system of claim 10, wherein the event is received from an endpoint.

15. (Currently Amended) The data processing system of claim ~~[[10]]~~ 14, wherein the endpoint is at least one of a server data processing system, a router, a printer, switch, or a gateway.

16. (Currently Amended) The data processing system of claim 10, wherein the event is to be sent to a remote event management system and wherein the translating means comprises:

first translating means for translating the event from the native event management form to a vendor neutral form; and

second translating means for translating the event into a ~~format~~ vendor specific form, which is different from the vendor neutral form, for use by the remote event management system.

17. (Currently Amended) A computer readable medium ~~program product in~~ encoded with a computer readable medium program product and operable with a data processing system for translating system events for system management, the computer program product comprising:

first instructions for receiving at a gateway in a network data processing system an event in a native event management form;

second instructions for translating the event into a new format; and

third instructions for correlating the event in the new format to determine whether a system management action should be performed, wherein the event is to be sent to a remote event management system and wherein the second instructions for translating comprises:

first sub-instructions for translating the event from the native event management form to a vendor neutral form;

second sub-instructions for translating the event into a vendor specific form, which is different from the vendor neutral form, for use by the remote event management system; and

third sub-instructions for forwarding the vendor specific form of the event to the remote event management system.

18. (Original) The computer program product of claim 17, wherein the new format is a neutral event format.

19. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 17, ~~wherein the new format is a specific event management format~~ 18, wherein the event that is translated by the gateway into the plurality of different event management system formats is in the neutral event format.

20. (Currently Amended) The computer program product of claim 17, wherein the event is translated to ~~[[a]]~~ the plurality of event management system formats using a configuration file located at the gateway, wherein the gateway services a plurality of event-generating endpoints, and wherein the gateway comprises a plurality of plug-in modules that each provide a particular type of event format translation and the translated events are correlated at remote system management data processing systems to determine whether system management events should be performed.

21. (Original) The computer program product of claim 17, wherein the event is received from an endpoint.